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Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" What is his relation to the Company ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. Abdul Hamid Khan :—" Was the gentleman appointed as a representative of the Company ? "

The hon. the President :—" It has been answered."

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" May I know whether, in pursuance of the instructions issued by the Director of Industries, the charge of these Mills and properties has been handed over to Mr. Natarajan and whether the Superintendent has no access to the Mill or the properties now ? ".

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" The Director of Industries can have supervision over this."

Mr. P. Bhaktavatsulu Nayudu :—" Is the sum of Rs. 650 paid to Mr. Natarajan per mensem the salary or honorarium and does he still continue to be the representative of the Corporation ? "

The hon. the President :—" We have passed over that question."

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" With reference to clauses (b) and (c) may I know whether the Government have been informed by the Directors of this Corporation what mills they have managed before ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" Notice, Sir.".

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" May I know what is the age of this Company, what is the capital of this Company and who are the Directors of this Company ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" May I know whether the Government have any idea of the ability of this Company to do anything ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" I am unable to give that information now."

Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" With reference to clauses (b) and (c) will the Government be pleased to give the names of the mill or mills which this Company has managed before ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" Notice, Sir."

Transfer of the management of the Carnatic Paper Mills, Limited, to the South Indian Industrial and Trading Corporation, Limited.

* 700-D Q.—Mr. D. Narayana Raju : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the management of the Carnatic Paper Mills, Rajahmundry, has been handed over by Government to a representative of the South Indian Industrial and Trading Corporation, Limited, and, if so, under what circumstances and under what conditions ?

A.—The hon. Member is referred to the answer given by Government to question No. 700-B asked by Mr. K. V. R. Swami. In the interest of economy the Government have allowed the representative of Industrial and Trading Corporation to supervise the property of the Mills as the agent of and on behalf of Government.

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Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know whether as a matter of fact, to-day, the Mill and the properties are handed over to Mr. Natarajan and are in his charge ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" Yes."

Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU :—" Was any undertaking given by Mr. Natarajan that he would make good the loss, if any, owing to his default ? "

The hon Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" An inventory was taken by the Government."

Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR :—" Are Government aware of any property owned by this gentleman ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" He has furnished cash security of Rs. 1½ lakhs."

Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR :—" On behalf of the Company or himself ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" On behalf of the Corporation."

Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR :—" As an advance of sale price ? Has it anything to do with an agreement for the sale of the Mill ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN :—" Is the gentleman authorized to bring about the sale of the Mill ? "

The hon Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN :—" What are the terms on which this gentleman has been appointed as agent of the Government ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" Simply to watch and supervise the Mill."

Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN :—" Why does the Government call him an agent ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. RAMANATH GOENKA :—" Who will bear the loss, if any, Mr. Natarajan or the Company ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" The Company."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Will the Government place a copy of the agreement on the table ? " 11-30 a.m.

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" That will be considered, Sir."

Mr. P. BHAKTAVATSULU NAYUDU :—" Now that he is paid Rs. 650, has he ceased to be a servant of the Company ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know how much this Corporation offered, as price, to the Government ? "

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The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" That question has already been answered."

Mr. P. BHAKTAVATSULU NAYUDU :—" May I know if the Government are not able to get any other person in their own departments, why they chose a person who is serving a company, and whether he can serve the company and the Government simultaneously ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—" They cannot do so at this stage."

Collector's report on the tape industry in Kurnool district.

*701 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased, in view of the answer given to question No. 275 on 8th September 1928, to place on the table the report of the Collector of Kurnool in regard to the tape industry in the Kurnool district ?

A.—No report was received from the Collector. The question was investigated by the Director of Industries and the answer given to question No. 275 on 8th September 1928 is based on the report of that officer.

Public Works

Increments to temporary upper subordinates of long service.

*702 Q.—Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) what the number of permanent and temporary upper subordinates has been for each year from 1918 to 1927 ;

(b) whether the temporary officers get any increments in salary at all till they are confirmed and if so, on what scale ; if not, when was the system stopped, and why ;

(c) what is the longest period of service for any temporary officer who has been working in the department ; and

(d) whether the Government have in consideration any scheme to give some increments to temporary hands long in service ?

A.—(a) The number of permanent and temporary upper subordinates as it stood on the 31st December of each of the years from 1918 to 1927 is given below :—

Year.	Permanent.	Temporary.
1918	257 [a]	232
1919	257 [a]	293
1920	263 [b]	273
1921	262	292
1922	194 [c]	173
1923	182	151
1924	183	188
1925	273	189
1926	276	251
1927	275	278

[a] Excludes 69 Sub-Engineers' posts.
[b] Do. 68 do.
[c] Do. 26 draftsmen's posts.